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896 **ABSTRACT**
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898 **PORTABLE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAINMENT SYSTEM**

899 A temporary berm or bin system, easily transported, erected without tools, and
900 easily dismantled. A set of panels or planks is joined with sliding clips to form a bin
901 having vertical or near vertical sides. The bin is lined with an impervious sheet of
902 geocloth to form a containment berm for use in controlling the dispersal of
903 hazardous material spilled from storage or work facilities. Spring loaded clamps hold
904 the geocloth securely to the uppermost plank without nailing, sewing, or other labor
905 consuming and/or tear prone methods. The berm is particularly suited to protect oil
906 well drilling sites in environmentally sensitive environments such as arctic tundra.
907 No excavation or other disturbance of the soil is required to erect the protective
908 berm. The berm is secured to the ground by spiking through triangular support
909 gussets. In the arctic, securing may be accomplished by freezing ice or mud as an "ice
910 mortar" over the gusset feet and along the lower edge of the planking. The berm system
911 may be transported by ordinary truck, specially adapted transport/laying truck, or on a
912 portable drilling platform.

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